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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, III

- 1. JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, III, ACCOMPANIED BY JOHN E. HARR, A MEMBER OF HIS STAFF, AND MRS. HARR, WILL BE IN KOREA FROM JAN 25 TO JAN 30. THEY WILL BE STAYING AT CHOSUN
- 2. PURPOSE OF TRIP IS TO ALLOW MR. ROCKEFELLER TO REACQUAINT HIMSELF WITH KOREA AND TO MEET WITH KOREANS WHO FORMER JDR III FOUNDATION GRANTEES OR WHO MR. ROCKEFELLER KNOWS FROM HIS INTERESTS IN ARTS, POPULATION PROBLEMS, AND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT. MR. ROCKEFELLER ALSO HAS PARTICULAR INTEREST IN ROLE OF WOMEN IN LDC DEVELOPMENT. HOWEVER, HARR STRESSED THAT MR. ROCKEFELLER DOES NOT WANT TO BE OVERPROGRAMMED AND HIS FOCUS WILL BE ON HIS OWN PERSONAL CONTACTS, NOT BRIEFINGS OR FORMAL GOVERNMENT PRESENTATIONS.
- 3. ROCKEFELLER STAFF IS WRITING DIRECTLY TO SEVERAL KOREANS TO LET THEM KNOW OF TRIP. DEFINITE SCHEDULE WILL BE SET BY HARR WHO ARRIVING SEOUL JAN 24. HARR SPECIFICALLY REQUESTS THE EMBASSY NOT PREPARE SCHEDULE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FOR GROUP ALTHOUGH HE THOUGHT MR. ROCKEFELLER WISHED

APPOINTMENT WITH AMBASSADOR. WE HAVE SUGGESTED THAT HARR CONTACT DCM ERICSON ON ARRIVAL. HARR WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY SUGGESTIONS FOR KOREAN WOMEN LEADERS WITH WHOM MR. ROCKEFELLER MIGHT MEET. PRINCIPAL KOREAN CONTACTS FOR VISIT INCLUDE CHANG WIN PARK OF BLUE HOUSE STAFF, WHO IS FORMER GRANTEE UNDER ONE OF ROCKFELLER'S FUNDED PROGRAMS. KISSINGER

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